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SUBJECT: OPIC RESEARCH PROJECT

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1. DEPARTMENT HAS DISCUSSED REVISED WEINTRAUB TRIP PROPOSAL WITH OPIC. PROFESSOR WEINTRAUB HAS PROVIDED REVISED LIST OF NAMES OF HOST COUNTRY NATIONALS TO BE INTERVIEWED REGARDING CLOSED NATIONALIZATION CASES. NEW DATES FOR VISIT ARE: CHILE, JANUARY 4-9; BOLIVIA, JANUARY 9-11; PERU, JANUARY 11-14.

2. FOR EMBASSY SANTIAGO: PROFESSOR WEINTRAUB HAS INDICATED HIS VISIT TO CHILE IS PART OF AN ECLA EXERCISE, ALTHOUGH HE WILL CONDUCT SOME RESEARCH ON OPIC CONTRACT CASES THROUGH PRIVATELY ARRANGED INTERVIEWS. HE WILL NOT REQUIRE ASSISTANCE OR SUPPORT FROM EMBASSY SANTIAGO.
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EMBASSY'S POSITION ON RESEARCH OUTLINED REFTEL (B) RE-

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MAINS APPROPRIATE.

3. FOR EMBASSY LA PAZ: OPIC EXPLAINED RATIONALE FOR PROFESSOR WEINTRAUB'S NEED TO INTERVIEW BOLIVIANS FAMILIAR WITH THE GULF EXPROPRIATION CASE. OBJECTIVE OF RESEARCH IS TO ASSESS OPIC'S ROLE IN INVESTMENT DISPUTES IT IS THEREFORE IMPORTANT TO COMPARE TWO CASES IN THE SAME COUNTRY DURING SAME TIME FRAME IN WHICH OPIC DID AND DID NOT PARTICIPATE. MINA MATHILDE AND GULF CASES MEET THIS CRITERION. DEPARTMENT EXPLAINED TO OPIC WHY WE AND EMBASSY CONSIDER GULF CASE INAPPROPRIATE SUBJECT FOR RESEARCH AT THIS TIME: (1) GOB COMPENSATION PAYMENTS ARE CONTINUING AND CASE CANNOT BE CONSIDERED COMPLETELY CLOSED IN THAT SENSE: AND (2) RECENT HEIGHTENED BOLIVIAN SENSITIVITIES, RESULTING FROM I975 REVELATIONS OF GULF PAYMENTS TO A PREVIOUS BOLIVIAN GOVERNMENT WHICH ARE STILL SUBJECT OF JUDICIAL REVIEW WITHIN BOLIVIAN LEGAL SYSTEM.

4. EMBASSY SHOULD EVALUATE FOLLOWING LIST OF NAMES IN LIGHT OF ABOVE AGREEMENTS AND PROVIDE ITS VIEWS ON DESIRABILITY OF INCLUDING GULF CASE IN THIS RESEARCH PROJECT, KEEPING IN MIND DEPARTMENT WISHES TO SEE PROJECT PROCEED IN MANNER ACCEPTABLE TO HOST GOVERNMENT. WHERE POSSIBLE, WE HAVE INDICATED OUR UNDERSTANDING OF PRESENT STATUS OF INDIVIDUALS CONCERNED.

(1) GENERAL ROGELIO MIRANDA, BOLIVAIAN AMBASSADOR TO GREAT BRITIAN;

(2) GENERAL EDUARDO MENDEZ PEREYRA, FORMER MINISTER OF MINING

(3) GENERAL (FNU) NOGALES, EX-GENERAL MANAGER OF COMIBOL

(4) (FNU) ITURRALDE, EX-SECRETARY OF THE PRESIDENCY

(5) HECTOR ORMACHEA, DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER OF COMIBOL

(6) RENE ROJAS, FORMER CHIEF NEGOTIATOR IN MINA
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(7) ANTONIO SANDEZ DE COSADA, MINE OWNER

(8) ROBERTO CAPRILES, PRESIDENTIAL ADVISOR

(9) MARCELO QUIROGA SANTA CRUZ, EX-MINISTER OF MINES AND PETROLEUM

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5. WE WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S COMMENTS, INCLUDING ANY OTHER SUGGESTED NAMES. IF EMBASSY PERCEIVES NO OBJECTION, WE WOULD APPRECIATE TENTATIVE APPOINTMENTS BEING MADE ON BEHALF OF PROFESSOR WEINTRAUB AND HIS STAFF FOR JANUARY I0 AND 11. EMBASSY OFFICERS ARE ELCOME TO PARTICIPATE IN INTERVIEWS. WE LEAVE IT TO EMBASSY'S DISCRETION ON NEED TO COORDINATE WITH FOREIGN MINISTRY.
6. WEINTRAUB WOULD LIKE TO CALL ON AMBASSADORS SANTIAGO AND LA PAZ SHORTLY AFTER ARRIVAL.

7. SEPTEL FOLLOWS TO LIMA. ROBINSON

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